

STATE SCHOOL IN MASONRY IN CITY

Several Hundred Members of Order Expected in Rock Island Latter Part of Month.

THREE DAYS OF INSTRUCTION

Grand Master, Dr. Ralph H. Wheeler, to Be Present and Reception Held in His Honor.

Feb. 22, 23 and 24 Rock Island will be the mecca of Masons within a radius of about one hundred miles, who will be here in large numbers to attend school of instruction to be held on those dates in the Masonic temple in this city.

Every year the grand lodge makes provision for holding five state and ten district schools of instruction. These schools are so distributed, geographically, as to reach the greatest possible number of lodges and their object is to perfect the officers and members in the ritualistic work and a knowledge of the history and symbolism of the degrees.

Rock Island is fortunate in entertaining one of the state schools this year, for it brings the full board of grand examiners. It also means that the grand master, Dr. Ralph H. Wheeler, will be in attendance on Wednesday evening, following which there will be an address by the grand orator of the grand lodge, Oscar A. Kropf of Chicago. In writing to C. G. Taylor, the local district deputy grand master, advising him of the assignment of Mr. Kropf to give the oration on Wednesday evening, Grand Master Wheeler laid special emphasis on the unusual opportunity thus afforded to the Masons of the Rock Island district and assured them of a great treat in store for them. There will be no degree work on Wednesday evening, the whole of that session being given over to the reception of the grand master and to the address of the grand orator.

Two Hundred Lodges Invited. In the matter of instruction the first day of the school will be devoted to the exemplification of the entered apprentice degree, with work on an actual candidate in the evening. On the second day the Fellowcraft degree will be exemplified, with work on an actual candidate at the afternoon session, the evening session being reserved for the grand master and the grand orator, as before explained. The Master Mason's degree will be the subject of the Thursday sessions, with work on an actual candidate in the evening.

F. L. Patterson, master of Trio lodge No. 658, this city, have issued letters of invitation to some two hundred lodges within the radius tributary to this school and a large attendance is hoped for. A letter from one of the members of the board of grand examiners to the district deputy grand master conveys the intelligence that the state school at Decatur, which closed on the 10th inst., was almost a record breaker, the attendance being 1,200.

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Agony of Leg Sore Stopped by D.D.D.

Woman Tells Pitiful Story

"I am the mother of 12 children. I took a varicose ulcer on my leg at the birth of last child five years ago. I used every remedy that is made. I was laid up for nearly five weeks, with a doctor attending me who did nothing but treat those kind of things.

Doctors told me to lie in bed, but where there is a big family one cannot do that. Then I heard about D.D.D., and as I used to tear my leg at night until it was a bleeding mass, I determined to try a bottle. I can't tell you the ease it gave me. I never used to sleep for the pain. Many a time I nearly fell with the dizziness in my head from want of sleep.

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FIRE PREVENTION DAY NEXT MONTH

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PUBLIC MEETING WILL BE HELD

Rigid Inspection of Local Buildings Will Be Made by a Score of Deputies to Discover Defects.

Municipal fire prevention day will be observed in Rock Island on Tuesday, March 14. This date was agreed upon today by municipal authorities at the suggestion of Walter H. Bennett, Springfield, state fire marshal.

Commissioner Liedtke, Fire Chief Newberry, a committee of the Rock Island Business Men's association, and Mr. Bennett and his deputies will have charge of the observance.

Preceding the day a rigid fire inspection will be conducted by deputies in Mr. Bennett's office. Practically all stores, factories and other business houses as well as public buildings will be examined by experienced men and notation made of the defects found. Owners of buildings will be notified and in the course of a week or two later another inspection will be made to determine if the defect or defects have been remedied.

COMMITTEES ARE NAMED FOR CLUB

Secretary D. N. Simonson Announces List of Those Who Will Handle Affairs for One Year.

Complete list of committees which will be in charge of affairs of the Rock Island club for a period of a year was announced today by Secretary D. N. Simonson.

The finance committee is composed of the president of the club, C. A. Hallgren, the treasurer, G. E. Tegeler, and the chairman of the house committee, A. B. Duvon.

Other committees appointed follow: House—A. B. Duvon, chairman; C. E. Shields, R. W. Lamont. Entertainment—George S. McKibbin, chairman, L. W. Mitchell, George Schneider, Jr., H. E. Dooley and J. R. Tuckis.

Conventions—A. D. Sperry, chairman, H. W. Crawford, L. L. Harms, C. J. Mueller and F. H. Plummer. Necrology—J. W. Houser, chairman, M. S. Heagy, W. J. Sweeney. Cards—W. L. Ludolph, chairman, A. R. Clime and H. O. Rolfs. Billiards and pool—M. D. Ettla, chairman, G. O. Huckstaedt and D. J. Smith.

Bowling—I. J. Roberts, chairman, S. R. Spencer and C. E. Johnson.

Eternal

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The charter of Rock Island lodge, No. 190, Loyal Order of Moose, was opened yesterday for a new membership campaign to be conducted by George W. Voltz, national director. The charter will be kept open for a period of three months.

Weller Has Recovered.

F. R. Weller, 839 Forty-third street, has fully recovered from the effects of injuries he received in a coasting accident Dec. 11, when he collided with an automobile. He said his sled was not damaged in the mishap and is stored at his home. Mr. Weller says he has no further use for the bob and he will make a gift of it to some club of boys who like coasting. He announces the boys who call for it first will be permitted to carry it away.

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RUSS AND SERBS POOR LABORERS

Austrian and Hungarian Land Owners Not Impressed With War Prisoners' Skill.

Vienna, Jan. 20.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press).—Austrian and Hungarian land owners and farmers are not particularly impressed with the value of Russian and Serbian prisoners of war as farm laborers. Accounts from all sides generally support the old saw, "You can lead a horse to water, but you cannot make him drink."

On the whole, the prisoner of war as a farm hand seems to have been a failure. This is true for other reasons than that the prisoners have a natural aversion to work for their enemies. One of the great handicaps has been that the Russian and Serb farmers who were selected to work on the Austrian and Hungarian farms, were for the greater part untrained in the rather intensive farming methods employed in the dual monarchy. Though the men were shown how to go about their work most of them failed to understand the reason why it had to be done a certain way. Others who did understand preferred to be careless, when not under the eyes of the overseer and guards. But few of the prisoners of war took any interest in the work. Patriotic feelings appear to have been an active deterrent for most of them.

That Austria-Hungary had a splendid crop this year is due to unusually favorable weather conditions. With an ordinary "crop year" and prisoners of war on many of the farms, the country would have fared badly, say those familiar with conditions. It is asserted that the accession in crop returns due to the labor of the prisoners of war is hardly equal to what the Russians and Serbs held in Austria-Hungary will themselves consume during the year.

It seems, however, that the labor of prisoners of war was more productive in other fields of endeavor, especially in this true where the Russians and Serbs remained altogether under the control of the military. In building roads and railroads no opportunity for shirking was given. Each gang had to do a certain amount of work; results were immediately visible and therefore susceptible to prompt correction, which was not the case in farming. The engineer troops under whose surveillance railroad work was done could not be easily fooled by the prisoners of war, while the farmer had to want to supervise his involuntary farmhand closely, could have done the work himself. Since most of the old reservists guarding the prisoners of war were city people no improvement from that direction could be expected.

German farmers who employed Russian prisoners of war are said to have obtained better results, though the Associated Press correspondent cannot say that a large land owner of the Brandenburg province with whom he discussed the matter was at all enthusiastic over the prospects of having to raise another crop with the aid of prisoners of war. He said that in addition to being most unwilling workers, the Russians he had employed failed to learn rapidly, though he had the services of an able interpreter.

The handicaps of language have been sorely felt by both sides, of course. An improvement in this situation is now expected. Many of the Russians and Serbs have learned German and Hungarian sufficiently well to understand orders and be understood in their turn. It is likely for this reason that next year the prisoner of war will prove of greater value.

The Russian and Serbian prisoners of war are very tractable persons on the whole. Hardly any complaints have been made against them by the communities in which they worked and lived, usually with the scantiest provisions for their control. Their conduct has been very correct throughout, and they have also earned the reputation

of being scrupulously clean in body and habit. Most of them carry in their minds so deep-seated a horror of the filth of the Russian and Serb fronts that the opportunity to use soap and water is fully appreciated by them. Of the thousands of Russians and Serbs the Associated Press correspondent saw on a recent trip through Hungary and Austria but very few who had neglected themselves, and their quarters everywhere had a spic and span which no orders from the guards could have produced. Austro-Hungarian officers assured the correspondent that the cleanliness and orderliness exhibited was spontaneous and inherent with the men.

The Austro-Hungarians have been very mild in their treatment of the men. The best understanding exists as a rule, and what little trouble the prisoner of war has given is mostly due to his disinclination to work for, or under, a civilian. The soldier's psychology is such that as a prisoner of war he prefers to remain under military control.

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Miss Olga Chase.....Welton, Iowa
James E. Welch.....Eliza, Ill.
Miss Agnes A. Garvin.....Drury
Edward Stiner.....Norwood, Ill.
Miss Bertha Miller.....Gerlaw, Ill.
Fred De Neve.....South Moline
Miss Elizabeth M. Cousen.....Moline
Emmett Titterton.....Edgington
Miss Eva Atig.....Reynolds

SALOON BRAWL IS ENDED BY POLICE

H. Ditch Draws Knife on Bill Franks, But Is Released When Latter Fails to Appear.

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He returned solemnly to his coat. Another man approached. As he came opposite the coatless one he suddenly ducked and then moved hastily away. As he ducked a heavy fist cleaved the air above his head.

A patrolman appeared upon the scene. The coatless one let out a yell of joy and made for the bluecoat. The cop grinned, seized his would-be assailant by the arms and with the aid of a citizen propelled him to the police station, with the coatless one daring them all the way to let him go and then "fight like men."

At the station he suddenly became apologetic. Possibly in the stripes on the sergeant's coat he recognized authority.

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DRUNKEN MAN IS SEVERELY BEATEN

Bartender in Moline Saloon Takes Law Into His Own Hands and Punishes Offending Customer.

OFFICER ATTRACTED BY SOUNDS

Lebbert Prevents De Greve from Continuing Assault on Harry Fisher—Civil Suit May Result.

Harry Fisher received a sickening beating in a Moline saloon yesterday afternoon, the man who inflicted the punishment being the bartender in the place. Befuddled with drink, Fisher was hardly able to defend himself and in a few minutes the aggressor in the conflict had broken the man's nose, cut open his eye, and smashed his teeth.

The bartender's name is De Greve. He is employed in the old Casino saloon on Third avenue between Fifteenth and Sixteenth streets. His victim is a resident of Moline.

After he had received several drinks in the saloon, Fisher fell asleep there, it is alleged. Arthur DeLoof is proprietor of the saloon. He was not there and DeGreve was in charge.

When Fisher fell asleep he was thrown out of the back door. In drunken anger he went to a nearby coal yard, picked up a large chunk of coal, staggered back and hurled it through the rear window.

Then he staggered inside after it. When he picked it up he was seized and the chunk of coal was taken away from him.

Drunk as he was, he was helpless in the hands of a sober man. Consequently there was no more danger of his doing any more harm. But instead of turning him over to the police, the bartender started to beat him.

Fisher, with blood streaming from his mouth, eyes and nose, was being knocked about like a punching bag when Detective Henry Lebbert, attracted by sounds of the scuffle, ran into the place.

Held for Malicious Mischief. The proprietor of the saloon appeared in police court today and preferred a charge of malicious mischief against Fisher, specifying the fact that he had hurled a chunk of coal through the saloon window. On this charge Fisher

was held to the grand jury under bonds of \$500.

DeGreve was in court and the police magistrate asked Fisher if he did not wish to swear out a warrant for the bartender. Fisher declined, but said he would probably see his lawyer, intimating that he would bring civil action for damages.

DeGreve was given a scathing reprimand by the police and by the magistrate for taking the law in his own hands and particularly for beating a man who was almost helpless from drink.

LYMAN WRIGHT HIMES IS BURIED AT ALEDO

(Special to The Argus.)

Aledo, Ill., Feb. 15.—The funeral of Lyman Wright Himes was held this afternoon from his late home in this city, with services conducted by Rev. F. E. Shult of the First Methodist church and burial in Aledo cemetery.

Mr. Himes was born in Lafayette, Ill., March 18, 1846. He was a veteran of the Civil war, having served with Company I, 148th Illinois volunteers. He had been a resident of Aledo many years and was held in high esteem by all who knew him. The survivors are his wife, two sons and two daughters.

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